Projects Added to the 2006-2010 STIP in FY 2006 or in the 2007-2011 Highway and Bridge Construction Schedule RSMo 21.795.3(2)

Introduction

The information in this section is in accordance with the highlighted portion in the following section of the reporting statute. "(2) A detailed explanation of the methods or criteria employed to select construction projects, **including a listing of any new** or reprioritized **projects** not mentioned in a previous report, and an explanation as to how the new or reprioritized projects meet the selection methods or criteria; ..." Section 21.795.3(2), RSMo Supp. 2002 (L. 2003 TAFP HB 668) (emphasis added).

This section lists projects identified after the previous schedule was approved and have been added in state fiscal year 2006 or state fiscal years 2007-2011 of the Highway and Bridge Construction Schedule.

Many of the projects added are refinements in Amendment 3 projects. These refinements typically subdivide large Amendment 3 projects into smaller, more specific projects under the same scope of the original, larger project.

An explanation for the project changes is included with each project. Of the added projects, 314 are rehabilitation and reconstruction projects. MoDOT does not fully program its money in the five-year program, although it is all assigned to specific categories such as safety or major projects. This allows the department to effectively use its resources and react to evolving needs that cannot be predicted at the start of the five-year period.

The total number of projects added is 480, which represents 55 percent of the projects in the highway and bridge construction schedule. This amount is lower than last year's amount of 540 that was due in large part to the passage of Amendment 3.